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SUBJECT: OECD TRADE COMMITTEE (TC) MEETING MAR 21-22

1. SUMMARY. TRADE COMMITTEE WORKING PARTY (TCWP) HAD BRIEF DISCUSSION APRIL 2 OF POSSIBLE AGENDA ITEMS FOR MAY 21-22 TC MEETING. ACTION REQUESTED: GUIDANCE AS INDICATED PARAS 2, 3, 4 AND 7 BELOW.

2. TCWP HAD INITIAL DISCUSSION OF POSSIBLE SUBSTANTIVE ITEMS FOR INCLUSION TC AGENDA ON BASIS SUGGESTIONS MADE BY SECRETARIAT (TD 4324). FIRST ITEM, " IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENTS IN AREA OF TRADE POLICY", IS TRADITIONAL FOR TC MEETINGS AND IS DESIGNED TO GIVE DELS OPPORTUNITY EXCHANGE VIEWS ON SIGNIFICANT POLICY DEVELOPMENTS. WITHOUT SAYING SO EXPLICITLY, SECRETARIAT CLEARLY HAS IN MIND THAT US DEL MIGHT WISH MAKE BRIEF REPORT ON STATUS US TRADE LEGISLATION AND BE READY TO RESPOND TO QUESTIONS FROM OTHER MEMBERS. JAPANESE DEL STATED THAT HIS GOVERNMENT, LIKE OTHERS, WAS INTENSELY INTERESTED NOT ONLY IN TIMING AND CONTENT OF US TRADE BILL BUT ALSO, IF POSSIBLE, PERIODICAL PROGRESS REPORTS AS IT MOVES THROUGH CONGRESS. WHILE DECLINING TO PREDICT EITHER TIMING OR CONTENT OF BILL, US DEL (STROMAYER) SAID ON PERSONAL
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BASIS THAT IF BILL WERE MADE PUBLIC BEFORE TC MEETING US DEL
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BE FORGETTEN THAT ON US OBJECTIVE IS TO STRENGTHEN THE SAFEGUARD
CLAUSE TO PROTECT DOMESTIC MARKETS. IRWIN

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